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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

- 1) DE 1 773 305
- 2) JP 63117231
- 3) JP 60243531
- 4) JP 11295106

Reference 1 discloses an invention that is a method for measuring torques, characterized in that torque transferred from a drive machine to a working machine is measured by contact-less measurement of the twisting angle between the two coupling halves of a torque-elastic shaft coupling. The coupling is situated between drive machine and working machine. An electrical pulse comparison process is also used in the method.


References 2 – 4 are in the English language and therefore need no further discussion as to its relevance.

Copies of the listed documents are submitted herewith along with the form PTO-1449.

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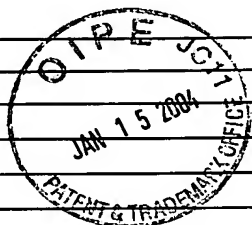
Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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|                          | 1           | DE 1773305         | 25 Nov 1971         | Germany                     |       |          | X           |
|                          | 2           | JP 63117231        | 21 May 1988         | Japan                       |       |          | X           |
|                          | 3           | JP 60243531        | 03 Dec 1985         | Japan                       |       |          | X           |
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